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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTA

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LON PETERSON,

EC Smith Glerk of the Bupreme court State of Montana

Plaintiff/Appellant and Cross-Appellee,

v.

ST. PAUL FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant/Appellee and Cross-Appellant.

PLAINTIFF/APPELLANT and CROSS-APPELLEE PETERSON'S MOTION TO FILE OVER-LENGTH BRIEF

COMES NOW, the above-named Plaintiff, Appellant, and Cross-Appellee, Peterson pursuant to Rule 12(10), M.R.App.P., and moves this Court for an order allowing him to file an over-length reply brief. The reason for this motion is that because of St. Paul's cross-appeal and the amicus brief supporting St. Paul's position, Peterson was required to combine his reply brief in support of his appeal, his response brief in opposition to St. Paul's cross-appeal, and his response to the amicus position, in one 5,000 word brief.

Peterson was not able to accomplish all of this in the allowable 5,000 words for a reply brief and has, therefore, lodged a separate response to the amicus position with the Clerk. This separately bound brief is only 417 words and

Peterson's combined three briefs only exceed the 5,000 maximum by a total of 394 words. Therefore, Peterson respectfully requests permission to have the clerk file the separately bound response to the amicus position. This motion is supported by the attached Affidavit. Opposing counsel for both St. Paul and the amicus have been contacted and do not oppose this motion.

DATED this 1st day of February, 2010.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that on this 1st day of February, 2010, I mailed a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing through the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, to the following:

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AFFIDAVIT OF KURT M. JACKSON IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO FILE OVER-LENGTH BRIEF
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On Appeal from the District Court of the Eighth Judicial District
Hon. Julie Macek
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STATE OF MONTANA)
: SS.
County of Cascade)
1. I am one of the attorneys representing Plaintiff, Appellant and Cross-
Appellee Peterson in the above-referenced appeal.
2. Peterson was not able to combine his reply brief in support of his own
appeal, his response brief in opposition to St. Paul's cross-appeal and his position
in response to the amicus position in one 5,000 word brief.

There is not a corresponding amicus supporting Peterson's position,

which could have responded to the amicus supporting St. Paul's position and,

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therefore, Peterson was forced to combine his position in the one 5,000 word reply brief.

4. The separately bound brief in response to the position of amicus is only 417 words long and Peterson's combined briefs only exceed the 5,000 word maximum by 394 words.

DATED this 1st day of February, 2010.

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SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me this 1st day of February, 2010.



Jeri L. Johnson

NOTARY PUBLIC for the State of Montana

Residing at Great Falls, Montana

My Commission expires May 28, 2011